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1. REF C REQUESTS WASHINGTON GUIDANCE ON AN INFORMAL
FRG SUGGESTION FOR ARRANGEMENTS FOR NOTIFICATIONS/
INVITATIONS TO MANEUVERS BLAUE DONAU, CERTAIN SHIELD
AND SAXON DRIVE. REFS D AND E PROVIDE RECOMMENDATION
ON FRG PROPOSAL AND EMB BONN S ENDORESMENT OF
THOSE VIEWS, AND ALSO POINT OUT THAT OBSERVERS FOR CERTAIN
SHIELD WOULD BE AFFORDED A SIGNIFICANTLY BETTER

OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE EXERCISE ACTIVITY DURING PERIOD SEPT 25-29 THAN EARLIER AS INFORMALLY SUGGESTED BY FRG REPRESENTATIVES.

2. WE CONCUR WITH USCINCEUR AND BONN'S RECOMMENDATION REFS D AND E ON TIMING OF OBSERVER VISITS TO CERTAIN SHIELD. WE HAVE NO PROBLEMS WITH DATES PROPOSED FOR OBSERVATIONS AT BLAUE DONAU AND SAXON DRIVE, OR TO FRG PROPOSALS ON WHOM TO INVITE AS SET FORTH IN PARA 2, REF C. WE QUESTION, HOWEVER, THE ADVISABILITY OF USING A SINGLE INVITATION (REF C, PARA 3) TO COVER SAXON DRIVE AS WELL AS BLAUE DONAU AND CERTAIN SHIELD IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT NOT ALL CSCE STATES WILL BE INVITED TO THE FORMER. IF EMBASSY BONN AND USCINCEUR CONCUR, WE SUPPORT PREVIOUS ARRANGEMENTS FOR COORDINATING OBSERVER INVITATIONS/HANDLING FOR COMING YEAR.

3. IN RESPONSE TO REQUEST PARA 5, REF C FOR GENERAL GUIDANCE ON MANEUVER NOTIFICATIONS AND OBSERVER INVITATIONS THIS YEAR, WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD ADHERE GENERALLY TO THE FORTHCOMING PATTERN OF PREVIOUS YEARS. THE SCHEDULED NOTIFICATIONS AND OBSERVER NOTIFICATIONS CONTINUED IN REF B, AS MODIFIED BY REF G, SEEM APPROPRIATE, ASSUMING GENERAL AGREEMENT BY ALLIES.
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4. RE DAWN PATROL 78, WE ARE DISINCLINED TO NOTIFY FOR REASONS EXPRESSED BY TURKISH REP (PARA 2, REF F). (WE NOTE FROM REF G TOTAL NUMBER OF FORCES INVOLVED IS NOW ONLY 3500-4100).

5. DECISION ON NOTIFICATION/OBSERVER INVITATIONS FOR DISPLAY DETERMINATION SHOULD BE DEFERRED, PENDING MORE PRECISE TROOP FIGURES (SEE PARA 2 REF G).

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